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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: JUNE 11, 2007

DEPARTMENT: CITY CLERK

DIRECTOR: BEVERLY K. BRIDGES

☐ Consent ☒ Discussion

SUBJECT:

Discussion and possible action on the certification of canvassed election returns for the June 5, 2007 Municipal General Election – All Wards

Fiscal Impact

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No Impact

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Augmentation Required

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Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

The results of the June 5, 2007 General Election were canvassed comparing the computer printout of ballots counted and the results thereof with the official ballot statements for the 345 election precincts used in this election. There was an active voter registration of 216,361, of which 18,301 voters cast their ballots resulting in an 8.46% election turnout. Per the Clark County Registrar of Voters there were no unreconcilable errors making the tabulation 100% accurate. As to the mail ballots that were reconciled, they also contained no errors.

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council accept and certify the canvassed results of the 2007 General Election as presented

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Results of Canvass from the Clark County Registrar of Voters
2. The Official Final Report
3. "Statement of Vote" containing City of Las Vegas voter abstract information

Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve the certification of canvassed election returns for the June 5, 2007 Municipal General Election

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

BRENDA J. WILLIAMS, LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

BEVERLY BRIDGES, City Clerk, reported that the active voter registration of 216,361 resulted in an election turnout of only 8.46 percent. The County Registrar's tabulation of the 345 election

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precincts found no irreconcilable errors and 100 percent accuracy. Likewise, no errors were found with the mail ballots. CITY CLERK BRIDGES extended her thanks and appreciation to her staff, temporary election staff, the Clark County Registrar of Voters and his staff. The efforts of all ensured an error-free election and she recommended approval of this item.

COUNCILMAN BROWN discussed with CITY CLERK BRIDGES the discrepancy between the total turnout for the City versus Ward 5. COUNCILMAN WOLFSON indicated that the City vote would have been for the judge. CITY CLERK BRIDGES confirmed that there was at least one vote in every precinct and outlined the turnout for each of the early vote sites as well as the election day vote. It would be possible to consolidate voting locations in the future. Voting locations and the staffing required represent a very large expenditure. MAYOR GOODMAN disagreed with criticisms that the City pays too much for independent municipal elections.

AL GALLEGO, citizen of Las Vegas, stated that he and his wife voted the first day of early voting at City Hall, and they were told that RICKI BARLOW brought a bus load of people to vote in exchange for dinner. He questioned this disturbing allegation.

